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AFTER

Money and Trade.

THIS caused a general Meeting of the poor Tradesmen of *Pennyless-Hall*, in the Town of *Live-haid*, in the County of *Great Lack*, where were present the following Persons, to know if any Body could give an Account of *Money and Trade*, viz. *Crispin* the Shoemaker, *Trim* the Taylor, *Grim* the Blacksmith, *Glue* the Joiner, *Chip* the Carpenter, *Lay-stone* the Mason, *Pick-quarrel* the Glazier, *Hemp* the Rope-maker, *Lath* the Tiler, *Thum-it* the Tinker, *Lack-wool* the Serge-maker, *Hanging-Arse* the Weaver, *Greasly* the Comber, *Turn-round*

the *Spinner*, *Mend-all* the *Cobler*, *Bloody* the
Smith, *Pinch-loaf* the *Baker*, and *Grind-all*
the *Miller*.

All these with many Others, too tedious to
mention, were present, when Mr *Looksharp*
desired Silence, that he might give an Account
of his Travels, which he did in this Manner:

Gentlemen Tradesmen.

According to this late *Hue and Cry* after
Money and Trade, I travelled many a weary Step
through the Countries of *Want-work*, *Great-
Lack*, *No-Gold*, *Little-Silver*, *Less-Gold*, *Trust-
no-one*, several other Countries, and to no Purpose
to find an unlucky Fellow a *Stock-Jobber*, who
told me, that *Money and Trade* were both dead,
drowned by a great Number of *Hogs* drowned
in the *South Sea*; and besides, that there had
been a great Number of *Pigs* since, who got down
to *Charles* at far as *Tilbury-Fort*, but were
forfeited there by the *Lord of the Manor*, and
were not taken back again; but the *Owners* would
not claim them, and so they fell to his Share,
which caused a great consternation in *Leadenhall-
Street*, and elsewhere.

However, I desired Mr *Looksharp* to give me
a further Account of his Travels; So, says
me, passing through *Shoemaker-Row*, I saw a
great deal of *Crippins* handling *Sir Isaac's Bones*:
Some of them looked as if they could not help

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themselves, amongst whom I made my usual Enquiry after Money and Trade, but they began to laugh at me, and said, Money they had none, and as for Trade they believed it was quite dead, but they did not trouble themselves much about it, as long as their Friend *Obalk* stood by them, and they could have good Beer on a long Score.

Then I passed thro' a Place full of Boiling Cooks, Beer-houses, and Beggar-Makers: They told me it was *Cucumber-Aley*, and I believe it was so, for I saw a Parcel of Fellows look as thin as Lamphorns, and as sharp as Needles: They were mighty high in Bone, and low in Flesh; indeed I did suppose them to be Tailors, for they were eating of Potage, and had a great deal of Cabbage but little Meat: I made an Enquiry among them after Money and Trade, but One of them did start up in a Hurry with a Kettle of scalding Water, and ran after me, crying out, *You Son of a Whore, do you come here to look after Money and Trade; so that I had much ado to get off with my Life.*

Then I beat my March to *Idle-Lane*, where I saw a Parcel of Lace-makers, Whores and Thieves, Button-makers, Cobblers, Trunkers, Shoemakers and Chimney-Sweepers; and the Devil

how many other Trades and Callings
were there.

So I began to make my Enquiry after *Money*
and *Trade*, but no sooner did I mention its
Name, but a great Part of them fell into a
Swoon, and the rest of them berged me not to
mention their Names anymore, they being very
sensible that both *Money* and *Trade* were dead,
and had left the Land; so that they had
Two Outs for One in.

Out of Money.

Out of Business.

Out of Credit. And,

In Debt.

Now, *We have nothing to trust to but a*
Legacy, viz. To each Man Forty Pound of
Debt, with the Privilege of living hard and
long.

put me in Mind of the Miseries of those
that *Money*, and by borrowing run in
Debt, one of the greatest Evils on this Side of
the Grave; and Charity in this Iron-Age of the
World is grown so cold, that scarce any Thing
can get on that Account; for if you be cold,

Charity

Clarity will not warm you, or if hungry it will
 not fill your Belly; but if you have Money
 you may do both: Then you may be a good
 and honest Man, but if you want Money, you
 must be a vile Knave. Consequence; and his
 whole Necessities force him to borrow, is made
 soon a Slave to his Creditors; he dares not
 say his Soul is his own, and is afraid every one
 he meets is a Catchpole to secure his outward
 Tabernacle. In the Night-Time if his Bed
 catches hold of a Nail, he cries out, *At what
 cost is this?* He is disturbed in his Sleep with
 frightful Dreams, and the Thoughts of a Prison
 is worse than Death to him: He would
 rather go a Mile round than meet with a Cred-
 itor. In short, the Man that is in Debt is like
 a thousand Feals, and looks on himself only
 as a Prisoner at large, and is so much confined
 to his own House, that if he hears One knock
 at the Door, he dares not open it, for Fear
 he an Officer to arrest him. I ans thro' Poverty
 he has but little Flesh on his Back, and his
 Creditors threaten to have his Bones, and in the
 mean time hinders him of getting the Money
 which should pay them. And besides these
 there are other Miseries with which the poor
 Debtor is troubled; his Creditor grudges
 him every Bit he eats, if it be better than ordi-
 nary; he would have him and his Family live
 on Bread and Water; and if he gets a good fur-
 of Cloaths, he is afraid to be seen in them: If
 a Man owes Money, he must go naked

And whilst the poor Debtor is thus
tormented by such Curses, it may make him ready

*I will take you all, from you my Sorrows: I will.
Your treacherous Faith makes me turn Infidel.*

I will now direct those in Straits for Money,
how to supply themselves with it at all Times,

1. Be diligent in your Trade and Calling.

2. Take Care of the wasting and Mis-
employment of your Time, which is a certain
preparation of Ruin and Destruction; and take
an exact Account of what you lay out, and
what you receive, without which you will be
lost in the Dark.

3. Ballance your Accompts at least every
Quarter, that so you may the better retrench
your Excesses, if you find you have any ways exceeded.

4. In laying out your Money trust not
your Servants, for in some Matters they
will deceive you, and you not the wiser, and
such small Matters may amount to a great
Sum.

5. In all your Affairs of Moment look
over your Business yourself, if you desire it should
be managed well.

Sincerely,

6thly, Be always sparing, that you may have
to spend.

7thly, Buy where you find Things cheap and
good, rather than for Friendship or acquaintance
Sake, for they will take it unkindly if you do
not let them cheat you.

8thly, Be ready to give good Advice to all
but be Security for none.

9thly, Let not your Table exceed the
Part of your Revenue; let your Provision be
solid, not too far fetch'd, and fuller of Substance
than Air.

10thly, Let every one endeavour to get a
Friend, and when he hath found him, to use all
possible Care to keep him and to use him gently
as one would do a young Woman's Maiden
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